

In the Claims

Claims are amended as follows:

1. (currently amended) A method of establishing a telephone call over a communications network at a specified future time using a web-based telephony application, said method comprising the steps of:

- (i) accessing a uniform resource identifier (URI) comprising the specified future time and also comprising information about a call source and destination; and
- (ii) at the future time specified in the URI, instructing a telephony switch to automatically set up a telephone call between the source and destination specified in the URI over the communications network.

2. (original) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein said step (i) of accessing a URI comprises receiving the URI from another entity selected from a web site and a software application on a user terminal.

3. (original) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein said step (i) of accessing a URI comprises receiving the URI from a web-based conference call booking application.

4. (original) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein said step (i) of accessing a URI comprises receiving the URI from a calendar application on a user terminal.

5. (original) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein said URI comprises time zone information.

6. (original) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein said information about the call destination comprises a directory number (DN).

7. (original) A method as claimed in claim 1 wherein said URI comprises a plurality of directory numbers and a plurality of time ranges, one for each directory number.

8. (previously presented) A method as claimed in claim 7 wherein said step (ii) comprises instructing the telephony switch to automatically set up a telephone call to one of the directory numbers depending on the current time and the time ranges.

9. (cancelled)

10. (original) A method as claimed in claim 1 which further comprises instructing the telephony switch to display the URI at a telephone terminal at the call source.

11. (currently amended) A web-based telephony application for establishing a telephone call over a communications network at a specified future time, said web-based telephony application comprising the steps of:

(i) an input arranged to access a uniform resource identifier (URI) comprising the specified future time and also comprising information about a call source and destination; and

(ii) a computer program arranged to control a telephony switch in order to automatically set up a telephone call between the source and destination specified in the URI at the future time specified in the URI.

12. (original) A signal for setting up a telephone call over a communications network said signal comprising a uniform resource identifier (URI) which itself comprises time information.

13. (original) A signal as claimed in claim 12 wherein said URI further comprises one or more directory numbers (DNs).

14. original) A signal as claimed in claim 12 wherein said URI further comprise time zone information.

15. (original) A signal as claimed in claim 12 wherein said URI comprises a plurality of directory numbers and a plurality of time ranges, one for each directory number.

16 - 18. (cancelled)

19. (currently amended) [[A]] The web-based telephony application as claimed in claim 11, further comprising a web-browser which is arranged to receive a plurality of URIs each comprising time information and to select one of these the plurality of URIs on the basis of the time information in each of the said URIs.

20. (currently amended) [[A]] The web-based telephony application as claimed in claim 19, comprising a parser arranged to parse URIs which comprise time information.

21. (currently amended) [[A]] The web-based telephony application as claimed in claim 11, further comprising a processor which is connected to the communications network such that uniform resource identifiers (URIs) are created which comprise time information and sent to other entities in within an internet protocol telephony communications network for the purposes of establishing a telephony call.

22. (currently amended) A method of establishing a telephony communication over a communications network at a specified future time using a web-based application, the method comprising the steps of:

(i) accessing a uniform resource identifier (URI) comprising the specified future time and also comprising information about a call source and destination;

(ii) at the specified future time automatically connecting the source and destination as specified in the URI to effect the telephony communication.

23. (currently amended) A web based telephony application for establishing a telephony communication over a communications network, comprising:

- (i) an input arranged to access a uniform resource identifier (URI) comprising the a specified future time and also comprising information about a call source and destination;
- (ii) a computer program arranged to automatically connect the source and destination at the specified future time to route the telephony communication.

24. (currently amended) [[A]] The web-based telephony application as claimed in claim 11, further comprising a browser which includes a calendar, call source and source destination information and which can be used to enter information which is captured in the URI.

25. (currently amended) [[A]] The web-based telephony application as claimed in claim 11, wherein the URI includes; password information; feature key information; time zone information, address information; and protocol information.